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HOME AFFAIRS
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Road Rage and Robbery on Roads
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether cases of road rage and robbery on roads are on the rise in various parts of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the total number of persons killed/injured separately, alongwith the number of persons arrested, convicted and the action taken against the guilty during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise including NCT of Delhi, NCR, Mumbai, Chennai and Kolkata;

(c) whether the Government had identified the reasons behind such increase and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Union Government has issued any advisory to State Governments in this regard; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the State Governments along with other measures taken to stop such cases in future?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR)

(a) to (b): There is no definition of road rage either in the Motor Vehicle Act, 1988 or in the Indian Penal Code (IPC). However, State/UT-wise cases

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reported under robbery (Under Section 392-394, 397 & 398 IPC) on Road/Highways during 2013-2015 is at Annexure-I. State/UT-wise (including NCT of Delhi, NCR, Mumbai, Chennai and Kolkata) cases reported, cases chargesheeted, cases convicted, persons arrested, persons chargesheeted and persons convicted under causing injury due to rash driving (section 279 & 283 to be read with section 337 & 338 IPC) during 2014-2015 is enclosed at Annexure-II. Information on persons killed under causing injury due to road rage/rash driving (section 279 & 283 to be read with section 337 & 338 IPC) and persons injured/killed under robbery (section 392-394, 397 & 398 IPC) on road/highways is not maintained separately by the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB).

(c): Dangerous/violent or angry behaviour by a driver of an automobile or a motor vehicle including rude gestures, verbal insults, making threats, dangerous driving in a threatening manner etc. may be the reasons for road rage which may lead to collisions, altercations and assaults, resulting in injuries and even deaths.

(d) to (e): 'Police' and 'Public Order' are State subjects under the seventh Schedule to the Constitution of India and therefore, the State Governments are primarily responsible for prevention, detection, registration and investigation of crime and for prosecuting the criminals through the machinery of their law enforcement agencies, as also for protecting the life and property of the citizens. The Ministry of Home Affairs has issued an Advisory on road safety and accidents to all the States/UT Administrations on 17th December 2015, which is available on the website of Ministry of Home Affairs viz. http://mha.nic.in.

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